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NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Michael L. Levy today announced the filing of an Indictment¹ against Mark C. West charging him with one count of failure to surrender to begin service of his federal sentence, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 3146. The defendant absconded and failed to report to his designated federal prison to begin serving his sentence on February 11, 2008. The defendant had been ordered to begin serving a 5-year sentence on that date after pleading guilty to mail fraud and insurance fraud charges.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANTS

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE OR YEAR OF BIRTH
Mark C. West	Unknown	1933

If convicted the defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of ten years imprisonment, a fine of \$250,000, at least 3 years up to a lifetime of supervised release.

The case was investigated by United States Postal Inspection Service and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Leo R. Tsao.

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